GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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LAW TO DEAL WITH TERRORISM
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of legislations enacted on laws to deal with Terrorism or any other activities endangering the security of the Nation.;

(b) whether the Home Ministry has had the series of meeting with other departments and has prepared a law to deal with communal forces in the country;

(c) if so, the outcome of the talks; and

(d) the time by which a final decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a): Consequent upon the repeal of the Prevention of Terrorism Act (POTA), 2002 and keeping in view the Government`s firm resolve not to compromise the fight against terrorism, whch poses a serious threat to national security and also at the global level, the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 was amended to incorporate certain provisions considered necessary to deal with various facets of terrorism. An Ordinance viz. The Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Amendment Ordinance, 2004 was promulgated on 21.9.2004, in this regard.

(b) to (d): A draft Bill to enact a comprehensive law to deal with communal violence is under preparation. The Bill is likely to be introduced in Parliament during the forthcoming Budget Session after wider consultations.